



HOME GROUP QUESTIONS FROM SERMON 17th September 2023

2 Chronicles 27

English Standard Version Anglicised

Jotham was twenty-five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for sixteen years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Jerushah the daughter of Zadok. 2 And he did what was right in the eyes of the Lord according to all that his father Uzziah had done, except he did not enter the temple of the Lord. But the people still followed corrupt practices. 3 He built the upper gate of the house of the Lord and did much building on the wall of Ophel. 4 Moreover, he built cities in the hill country of Judah, and forts and towers on the wooded hills. 5 He fought with the king of the Ammonites and prevailed against them. And the Ammonites gave him that year 100 talents of silver, and 10,000 cors of wheat and 10,000 of barley. The Ammonites paid him the same amount in the second and the third years. 6 So Jotham became mighty, because he ordered his ways before the Lord his God. 7 Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars and his ways, behold, they are written in the Book of the Kings of Israel and Judah. 8 He was twenty-five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for sixteen years in Jerusalem. 9 And Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David, and Ahaz his son reigned in his place.

COMPLETE SURRENDOR TO THE LORD 2 Chronicles 27: 1-9

Ice-breaker: What kind of King is King Charles III turning out to be?

1. HE REVERED THE LORD (v2)

Question 1: To what extent has Jothan learned from his father's mistakes in the previous chapter?

Question 2: Have you learned from the mistakes of your parents?

2. HE BUILT FOR GOD FIRST (v3-4)

Question 3: What does building for God first look like in the modern day?

3. HIS OBEDIENCE LED TO VICTORY (v6)

Question 4: Does obedience to God always lead to victory in our personal battles?

4. BUT HIS KINGDOM WAS NOT COMPLETELY GIVEN TO THE LORD (2b)

Question 5: What are the difficult things to deal with in our lives, that we might leave not deal with for various reasons...

(Mark 9 v20-27) And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. 21 And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. 22 And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." 23 And Jesus said to him, "If you can? All things are possible for

one who believes.” 24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” 25 And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” 26 And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

Question 6: How does Jesus deal with difficult things?

A PRAYER

Loving Lord, help me learn the lessons of Jothan's reign. Help me revere your holiness, build first for you and submit every area of my life to your kingly authority. Come in power and help me deal with the difficult and darker things which trouble me. Take me by the hand and life me up as child of God, friend of the Most High and citizen of Heaven, for the sake of your Son, my Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen.